GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Revenue Department - Sri Kanchu Botla Gopal Krishna Murthy, Village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Office Of Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District - Allegations of corruption and misconduct - Disciplinary proceedings under rule - 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 - Articles of charge - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.477 Dated:19.06.2024

Read:

G.O.Ms.No.17 , Revenue (Vigilance.III) Dept., Dt: .17.01.2024

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ORDER:

In pursuance to the G.O read above, it is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri Kanchu Botla Gopal Krishna Murthy, village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Office Of Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control Appeal) Rules,1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry are proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of Charges (Annexure - I). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-II III).

3. Sri Kanchu Botla Gopal Krishna Murthy, village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Office Of Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District is directed to submit a written statement of his defense within 10 days of receipt of this order,.

4. Sri Kanchu Botla Gopal Krishna Murthy, village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Office Of Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri Kanchu Botla Gopal Krishna Murthy, village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Office Of Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District is further informed that if they do not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in para 3 above further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri Kanchu Botla Gopal Krishna Murthy, village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Office Of Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District invited to Rule 24 of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri Kanchu Botla Gopal Krishna Murthy, village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Once Of Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District - is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964.

7. The receipt of the order may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

AJAY JAIN
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(FAC)

To

Sri Kanchu Botla Gopal Krishna Murthy, village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Office Of Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District (now retired)(Through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri for service and to return the served copy with dated acknowledgement immediately (By RPAD))

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.

Copy to:
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P., Vijayawada
The District Collector, Chittoor District
SF/SC

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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI KANCHU BOTLA GOPAL KRISHNA MURTHY, AGE 60 YEARS, S/O K.LAKSHMI NARASIMHA, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICE, ELAMANDYAM VILLAGE, OFFICE OF TAHSILDAR, RENIGUNTA MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

That Sri Kanchubotla Gopala Krishna Murthy, age 60 years, S/o K.Lakshmi Narasimha, Village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam viiale, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District (hereinafter referred to as Government Servant) while functioning as such during the period from 23.09.2015 to till date of Surprise Check on 24-01-2020 has committed grave misconduct in as much as:

ARTICLE OF CHARGE-I:

That the government servant Sri Kanchubotla Gopala Krishna Murthy, Village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District failed to deliver five (5) e-Pattadar Passbooks to the concerned Pattadars even after a lapse of one week after receipt of them and the same was found during the Surprise-check conducted by the ACB officials on 24.01.2020.

Thus, the Government Servant Sri Kanchubotla Gopala Krishna Murthy, Village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government servant and thereby violated Rule 3(1)(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964 R/W Rule 9(1) of AP Revised Pension Rules 1980.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI KANCHU BOTLA GOPAL KRISHNA MURTHY, AGE 60 YEARS, S/O K.LAKSHMI NARASIMHA, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICE, ELAMANDYAM VILLAGE, OFFICE OF TAHSILDAR, RENIGUNTA MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

That Sri Kanchubotla Gopala Krishna Murthy, age 60 years, S/o K.Lakshmi Narasimha is the native of Tirupati, Chittoor District. His date of birth is 10.01.1960. He joined Government Service on 02-11-1991 as Talari and was posted to Thukivakam Village, O/o the Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District. Subsequntly he was transferred to various place of Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District. Later, on promotion he was transferred to MR.Palli Cluster as Village Revenue Officer, O/o the Tahsildar, Tirupati Urban Mandal, Chittoor District on 20-04-2008. There after he was transferred to Elamandyam Village as Village Revenue Officer, Renigunta Mandal from September-2015 to till date of Surprise Check on 24-01-2020. His basic pay is Rs.23,100/- Scale of Pay of Rs.16,400/- to 49,870/- as on 01-01-2020. He his date of superannuation is on 31.01.2020. He is here-in-after referred to as Government Servant (GS).

CHARGE-I

That the government servant Sri Kanchubotla Gopala Krishna Murthy, Village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District failed to deliver five (5) e-Pattadar Passbooks to the concerned Pattadars even after a lapse of one week after receipt of them and the same was found during the Surprise-check conducted by the ACB officials on 24.01.2020.

BASIS OF THE CHARGE:

A Surprise Check was conducted on the Office of Tahsildar, Renigunta on 24-01-2020 from 11.30 hrs to 23.15 hrs by the ACB Officials of Tirupati in the presence of mediators i.e., Sri Chalichalamala Venkatanarayana Chowdary, and Sri Pedirigari Sambasiva Reddy, on credible information that various corrupt practices were being followed by the Officers and staff of Tahsildar Office, Renigunta Mandal for issuing Pattadar Passbooks, Carrying out mutations, Entry of details of lands into online, Survey of lands and other miscellaneous works.

During the Surprise Check conducted in the presence of mediators, it was found that the following e-pass books mentioned below were not delivered to the concerned Applicants by SO-9. When the SO-9 was asked in the presence of mediators as to why he kept the five (5) e-Pass books with him though the said book had to be delivered to the concerned Pattadar immediately after receipt of the same by him, he kept silent.

Sl. No.	Patta/ Katha Book No.	Name of the Pattadar	Sy.No. & Village	Name of the VRO
1.	488	K.Lakshmi Deepthi	Elamandyam 230/5A, 230/5B	K.Gopala Krishna Reddy
2.	489	C.Sreedhar	Ellamandyam 222/1, 230/12B	K.Gopala Krishna Reddy
3.	490	P.Sarala Kumari	Ellamandyam 220/1, 220/3A2 222/5A2, 222/8	K.Gopala Krishna Reddy
4.	484	K.Sandeep	Ellamandyam 222/5A3, 247/2	K.Gopala Krishna Reddy
5.	60	S.Aadhi Narayana	Thathayakaluva 298/7A,	K.Gopala Krishna Reddy

The Inspector of Police, ACB, Tirupati examined the above applicants. They stated that they received their pass books, subsequant to the surprise-check. Thus the charge is substantiated. Thus the charge is substantiated.

Thus the Government Servant Sri Kanchubotla Gopala Krishna Murthy, Village Revenue Officer, Elamandyam Village, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District by his above mentioned acts exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and thereby violated Rule 3(1)(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964 R/W Rule 9(1) of AP Revised Pension Rules 1980 and thereby rendered himself liable for departmental action for major penalty.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI KANCHU BOTLA GOPAL KRISHNA MURTHY, AGE 60 YEARS, S/O K.LAKSHMI NARASIMHA, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICE, ELAMANDYAM VILLAGE, OFFICE OF TAHSILDAR, RENIGUNTA MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

1. Surprise Check proceedings drafted at the Office of Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District on 24-01-2020.
2. Seized Register of Sub Division-2019, O/o the Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal.
3. Seized Register of Sub Division - 2020, O/o the Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal.
4. Seized Register of Spandana, O/o the Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal.
5. Letter in Roc.A/151/2020 dt.17-2-2020 of Revenue Divisional Officer, Tirupati.
6. Letter in L.Dis.A/44/2020, dt.21-10-2020 of Tahsildar Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District.
7. Statements of LW-3 to LW-7.

If any document is found to be relevant will be produced during the enquiry.

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI KANCHU BOTLA GOPAL KRISHNA MURTHY, AGE 60 YEARS, S/O K.LAKSHMI NARASIMHA, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICE, ELAMANDYAM VILLAGE, OFFICE OF TAHSILDAR, RENIGUNTA MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

1. **Sri Chalichalamala Venkatanarayana Chowdary, S/o Sri C. Bhaskara Naidu, age 57 years, Head Master, SPZP Girls High School, Chandragiri, R/o 502-B, Sri Nithya Towers, MK Naidu Colony, Tirupati, Cell No. 9440557960 (Mediator-I).**

He is the 1st mediator of Surprise Check Office of the Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District on 24.01.2020. He speaks about his attending to preparation of Surprise Check Proceedings on 24.01.2020, as per actual happenings along with Mediator-I, his observations, lapses as Mediator during the Surprise Check and etc., facts.

2. **Sri Pedirigari Sambasiva Reddy, S/o P. Gurava Reddy, age 55 years, School Assistant, ZPHS MR Palli, Tirupati., R/o 1-42, Kopparavandlapalli Village, Perumallapalli Post, Tirupati Rural, 9502217945 (Mediator-II).**

He is the 2nd mediator. He speaks to the facts of Surprise Check Office of the Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District on 24.01.2020. He typed the Surprise Check Proceedings in the laptop carried by ACB officials with the assistance of mediator-

II. He speaks about his observations, lapses as Mediator during the Surprise Check and etc., facts.

3. **Smt K.Lakshmi Deepthi, W/o K.Thrimoorthy), R/o D.No.7-3-82, R.S.Mada Street, Tirupati, Chittoor District.**

4. **Sri C.Sreedhar, age 43 years, S/o S.Rama Chandra, R/o D.No.1-0, Ellamandyam, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District.**

5. **Smt P.Sarala Kumari, W/o P.C.V.Subba Reddy (Inspector of Police), R/o D.No.1-45, Avilala, Tirupati Rural, Chittoor District.**

6. **Sri K.Sandeep Reddy, age 30 years, S/o K.Venkata Ramana Reddy, R/o D.No.18-3-53/1-A1, Khadi Colony, Tirupati, Chittoor District.**

7. **Sri S.Adi Narayana, age 52 years, S/o S.Peeraiah, R/o D.No.1-5- 551-RC-7, Balaji Colony, Tirupati, Chittoor District.**

LW-3 to LW-7 speak to the facts of receipt of their e-pass books after surprise check by ACB officials on the office of the Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District etc.,

8. **Sri V.Kanaka Narasa Reddy, Revenue Divisional Officer, Tirupati, Chittoor District.**

He speaks about his furnishing the service particulars & Job Chart of the Government servant and etc., facts.

9. **Sri G. Ravi Kumar, Inspector of Police, ACB, Tirupati Range, Tirupati.**

He speaks about the facts of conducting surprise check Office of the Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District on 24.01.2020 from 12.00 hours to at 23.15 hrs as per actual happenings, his observations, lapses and etc., facts.

10. **Sri M. Vishnu Vardhan, SI of Police, ACB, Tirupati Range, Tirupati.**

He speaks about the facts of conducting surprise check along with LW.11 Office of the Tahsildar, Renigunta Mandal, Chittoor District on 24.01.2020 from 12.00 hrs to at 23.15 hrs as per actual happenings, his observations, lapses and etc., facts.

11. **Sri P. Nagendra, Inspector of Police, ACB, Tirupati Range, Tirupati.**

He speaks about the facts investigation and submitting the Final Report to Head Office and etc., facts.

12. **Sri B. Suneel Kumar, Inspector of Police, ACB,Tirupati Range, Tirupati.**

He speaks about the facts of his continuing further investigation and submitting the Final Report to Head Office and etc., facts.

If any witness is found to be relevant, he will be produced during the time of enquiry.

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